

this amendment. The Applicants, however, conditionally petition for a further extension of time to provide for the possibility that such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked and is required. As provided below, charge Deposit Account **04-1105** for any required fee.

Please amend the subject application as follows. Marked up versions of the amended passages from the specification are provided in an annex to this response.

IN THE DRAWINGS

Enclosed please find Figures 29-31 marked in red to identify changes thereto, i.e., that Figures 29-31 are designated by a legend -- Prior Art -- and the figures have been renumbered 29a, 29b, 29c, 30a, 30b, 30c, 31a, 31b, and 31c in accordance with 37 CFR 1.84(u).

Figures 1, 3, 4, 6-9, 14-20, 25, 26, and 28 also have also been renumbered in accordance with 37 CFR 1.84(u).

IN THE SPECIFICATIONS

**Amend** the specifications as follows:

On Page 3, please replace the fourth and fifth full paragraphs with the following:

On the other hand, a disk cartridge is inserted in a disk driving device (information recording/ reproducing device), so that information is recorded on and reproduced from the optical disk accommodated in the disk cartridge through a head supported by an arm of the disk driving device. Accordingly, the size of the disk cartridge affects the size of the disk driving device.

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Fig. 27 shows a schematic construction of a disk device in the state where it is loaded with a disk 1 accommodated in a disk cartridge. In Fig. 27, a permanent magnet 4 is fixed on a turntable 3 of a spindle motor 2 at a portion other than a disk bearing face 5 of the turntable 3. On the disk 1, on the other hand, there is fixed a center hub 7 which is made of a magnetic material and has a center hole 6. The center hole 6 is fitted on a spindle 8 of the spindle motor 2, and the permanent magnet 4 of the turntable 3 attracts the center hub 7 so that the disk 1 is pulled onto the disk bearing face 5. As a result, the disk 1 can be portion for shielding the upper and lower openings; a perpendicular portion jointing the upper and lower shutter portions; a pawl for preventing the shutter from coming off; and a guide portion extending from the perpendicular portion for slidably guiding the shutter, and the upper case is sandwiched between the guide portion and the shutter portion.

On Page 30, please replace the first full paragraph with the following:

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Further, in the disk cartridge of the present invention comprising: a disk cartridge according to claim 10, wherein the lower case is positioned on a side of a recording face of the optical disk, and the shutter includes an upper shutter portion and a lower shutter portion for shielding the upper and lower openings of the upper and lower cases, respectively, and a guide portion for guiding the movement of the shutter, so that the upper case is sandwiched between the upper shutter portion and the guide portion.

On Page 30, please replace the third full paragraph with the following:

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An magneto-optic disk 1 to be recorded with information signals is rotatably accommodated in the cartridge 2. The upper cartridge 3 is provided with: a first opening 4 to be faced by a magnetic head 25 for recording/ reproducing the information signals; and the lower cartridge 5 is provided with a second opening 6 to be faced by a spindle motor 26 for rotating/ holding the magneto-optic disk 1 and a pickup unit 27 for recording/ reproducing the information signals. Moreover, the